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5 MICHAEL EUGENE THOMAS,
6 Petitioner,
7 v.
8 RONALD DAVIS, warden,
9 Respondent.

10 No. C 15-263 SI (pr)

11 **ORDER OF TRANSFER**

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13 Michael Eugene Thomas, an inmate at San Quentin State Prison, has filed a petition for
14 writ of habeas corpus to challenge his conviction from the Kern County Superior Court. Kern
15 County lies within the venue of the Eastern District of California. The facility Thomas is
16 incarcerated at is in Marin County, within the venue of the Northern District of California.
17 Venue is proper in a habeas action in either the district of confinement or the district of conviction,
18 28 U.S.C. § 2241(d); however, a petition challenging a conviction or the sentence imposed
19 is preferably heard in the district of conviction. *See* N. D. Cal. Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b). Because
20 the conviction occurred in the Eastern District of California, pursuant to 28 U.S.C. § 1404(a) and
21 Habeas L.R. 2254-3(b), and in the interests of justice, this action is TRANSFERRED to the
22 United States District Court for the Eastern District of California. The clerk shall transfer this
23 matter forthwith.

24 IT IS SO ORDERED.

25 DATED: January 22, 2015

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28 SUSAN ILLSTON
United States District Judge